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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Contemporaneous with the filing of this case and prior to calculation of the filing fee, kindly amend as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

After the title please insert the following paragraph:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

The present application is the national stage under 35 U.S.C. 371 of PCT/JP98/00924, filed March 6, 1998. --

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2".

Claim 4, line 1, delete "any one of Claims 1 to 3", and insert therefor --claim 1--.

Claim 5, lines 2 and 3, delete "any one of Claims 1 to 4", and insert therefor --claim 1--.